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5 Steps to Becoming a Nevada Notary

(please read carefully)

- 1. Complete a notary application for a new or renewal appointment
- 2. Complete a notary education/training course (if applicable)
- 3. Obtain surety bond and file surety bond
- 4. Submit all necessary documents & fee to the Secretary of State's Notary Division (see step 4)
- 5. Obtain a notarial stamp and journal

STEP 1 - Notary Application (all questions must be answered with exception of #3) http://www.nvsos.gov/licensing/notary/forms.asp

- 1. You must sign exactly as you want your name to appear on your appointment. You must use your full legal last name. APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT ORIGINAL SIGNATURE.
- 2. If you are applying or renewing as a "Non-Resident Notary," you must complete and submit the "affidavits" with this application. Download the Affidavits at http://www.nvsos.gov/licensing/notary/pdf/NotaryAffidavit.pdf.
- 3. If you are not a U.S. citizen you must compete and submit the Document Verification Request Form. Download the form at http://www.nvsos.gov/business/forms/omni/G845DocumentVerificationRequest.pdf.
- 4. If you are renewing your notary appointment, please provide your notary commission # and the expiration date of your current appointment. Both of these can be found on your stamp.

STEP 2 - Complete Notary Education/Training Course

- 1. A new notary applicant, a notary whose commission has been expired for more than 365 days or a renewing notary who has had a violation in the past four years, must attend and successfully complete a course of study provided pursuant to NRS 240.018.
- 2. The Nevada Secretary of State's office is the official provider of notary training classes. Class schedules may be found on the following website: http://www.nvsos.gov/NotaryTraining/Schedule/ScheduleList.aspx. After completion of this class, a Training Certificate will be issued. This Training Certificate must be attached to the Notary Application..

STEP 3 - Obtain Surety Bond and File Surety Bond

- 1. Notary applicants must provide a surety bond to the State of Nevada in the sum of \$10,000 as required by Nevada law. The bond may be obtained from any insurance agency offering surety services or a surety bond agent of your choice. (Check the yellow pages of the telephone directory under "Bonds, Surety" or do an internet search.) You specify to the Insurance Company the bond effective date you want.
- 2. Once the bond is obtained you must take an oath. The oath can either be administered by the county clerk or another notary. A list of county clerks may be found at the following website: http://www.nvsos.gov/business/apostille/clerks.asp.
- 3. The surety bond is filed with the county clerk in the county you reside. If you are applying as a Non-Resident notary that is the county you are employed. Contact your County Clerk for the current fee to file the bond.
- 4. The county clerk shall immediately certify that the bond and oath have been filed and recorded. The county clerk will return the "Filing Notice" to the notary applicant. THIS FILING NOTICE MUST BE ATTACHED TO YOUR NOTARY APPLICATION.

STEP 4 - Submit Completed Application, Required Documents & Application Fee

Mail all required documents and application fee to: SECRETARY OF STATE ROSS MILLER

NOTARY DIVISION

101 N. CARSON STREET, SUITE 3 CARSON CITY, NV 89701-3714

Please check that your are sending an ORIGINAL signed Application, plus any other supporting document/forms as listed in Section 1 of these instructions, i.e., Filing Notice, Training Class Certificate (if applicable), and a \$35 application fee.

- 2. \$35 Non-refundable application fee may be paid via check or money order (make payable to the Nevada Secretaryof State), or via credit card. If paying by credit card, please complete the credit card checklist and submit with your application. The credit card checklist may be found at the following website: http://www.nvsos.gov/business/forms/omni/CreditCardChecklist.pdf.
- Processing time is 7-10 business days if application is complete. Your Notary Certificate of Appointment will be sent to you via regular U.S. Mail.

STEP 5 - To Complete Commission Obtain Notarial Stamp & Journal

- Once you receive your Certificate of Appointment you may purchase a notarial stamp from a rubber stamp vendor. Your Certificate of Appointment or a certified copy of certificate is necessary to purchase a notarial stamp.
- 2. You will also need to purchase a notary journal required pursuant to NRS 240.120 from an office supply store.

PERSONS <u>INELIGIBLE</u> TO BECOME A NEVADA NOTARY PUBLIC PURSUANT TO NRS CHAPTER 240:

- W Individuals under 18 years of age.
- W Non-Nevada residents who are not employed at a place of business within the state.
- W A convicted felon whose civil rights have NOT been restored.
- W Persons holding office under the U.S. Government. This prohibition does not apply to employees of the U.S. Government.

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Application for Appointment

Resident
Non-Resident
Renewal

as a Notary Public ABOVE SPACE IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

original signature. Use this signati	ure on all	notarial ad	cts.		• •		•		,		
I enclose the payment in the amount fee. I declare under penalty of perju 239.330, it is a category C felony to I	ry that inf	ormation p	rovided on	this form is t	rue an	d correct and ack	knowled	ige that p	oursuant to		
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Applicant Signature					Print name exactly as signed:						
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Legal Name of Applicant:											
First	 Middle	<u> </u>			Last					Suffix	
2. Mailing Address in Nevada*:											
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Street Address or P.O. Box				City					Zip Code		
*NOTE: If mailing address is the employe	r address,	section 10 i	must be com	pleted.							
3. Residence Address:									1		
Street Address				City				State	Zip Code		
4. Daytime Telephone: (Incl. Area C				•		Work		Home	c	ell	
5. Date of Birth:	. Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yy				er's M	laiden Name:					
7. Email Address:				8. Non-l	Resid	ent State: (if app	olicable				
		GEN	IERAL IN	FORMAT	ION						
9. Is this a requirement of your er	nployme	nt?	Yes - p	orovide emp	loyer	information in se	ction 1	0.	Yes	No	
10. Employer Name:						Telephone: Are	nclude a Code				
								Nevada	9		
Street Address or P.O. Box				City					Zip Code		
11. County where Bond is filed pu	ırsuant t	o NRS 24	0.030(1)d	:					ident appl		
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12. Are you a United States Citize	en?	Yes - go	to question	n 14 <i>No</i> -	must	complete questi	on 13		Yes	No	
13. If not a U.S. Citizen, are you I	awfully a	admitted f	or perman	ent reside	nce?						
Yes - complete document verificatio request and submit with application	Alien Registi	ation Numbe	r:				Yes	No			
14. Do you possess your civil rights?									Yes	No	
15. Have you ever been convicte moral turpitude?	Yes - documentation proving that your civil rights have been restored MUST be attached or your application will be rejected						Yes	No			
16. Have you ever been a Nevad	a Notary	?	Yes	s - complete	a) an	d b)					
a) Notary Number:	b) E	xpiration Date	e:				Yes	No			
17. Have you enrolled in and successfully completed an approved course of study pursuant to NRS 240.018? Yes - complete a), b) and attach evidence of class attendance											
a) Class Date: (mm/dd/yyyy) b) Class Time:									Yes	No	